Appl. No. 09/628,922

Amdt. dated October 28, 2005

Reply to Office Action of 06/29/2005

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action, claims 4, 15, 18 and 19 are allowed.

All the rejected claims 1-3, 5, 7-14, 16, 17, 20 and 21 have been canceled to place this application into condition for allowance.

The Notice of Allowance should now be sent since there are no formal objections and the remaining claims 4, 15, 18 and 19 are allowed.

Accordingly it is not necessary to go into a discussion of the cited art. The Examiner has noted that applicant's previous arguments are moot in view of new ground(s) of rejection.

In the event there are further issues remaining in any respect the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone attorney to reach agreement to expedite issuance of this application.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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Since the present claims set forth the present invention patentably and distinctly, and are not taught by the cited art either taken alone or in combination, this amendment is believed to place this case in condition for allowance and the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the matter, enter this amendment, and to allow all of the claims in this case.

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## CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that the Amendment Upon Final Rejection is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent Office on October 28, 2005.

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